

28th Annual Child Abuse Symposium Supported Families=Safe Kids

Presented by the Santa Clara County Child Abuse Council

Friday, April 23, 2010 Santa Clara Marriott Hotel 2700 Mission College Blvd • Santa Clara, CA 95054

8:30-9:15 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

Symposium Opening

9:15-9:30 a.m. Welcome by Margaret Petros Symposium Committee Chair

9:30-10:30 a.m. Keynote - "The Nightmares That Won't Go Away: The Impact of Traumatic Stress In Working with Abused Children" Charles Wilson, MSSW

Charles Wilson is the Executive Director of Chadwick Center for Children And Families at Rady Children's Hospital Health Center, San Diego. The Session will explore the emerging concept of creating "Trauma Informed Systems" that better understand traumatic stress and its long-reaching effects on all those involved in protecting children. Viewing traditional challenges of protecting children through a "trauma lens" minimizes adding avoidable secondary system traumas on top of the child's prior bad experiences and then uses trauma insights to better achieve the goals of the disciplines working with the child from investigation to treatment and seeking security and permanency for children.

10:30-10:45 a.m. Questions & Answers with Charles Wilson, MSSW

10:45-11:15 a.m. Networking Break

11:15-11:45 a.m. Introduction of Victim Impact Speech by Margaret Petros, Symposium Committee Chair

Victim Impact Speech – Bryan McGlothin

Author, Actor and Worldwide Speaker on the topics of Child Abuse, Parental

Abduction/Alienation and Overcoming Adversity.

11:45-12:00 p.m. **Presentation of Angel Award to Joe Yomtov**

by Stacy Castle, Chair, Santa Clara County Child Abuse Council 35 years of dedicated service helping victims of crime, including children, in Santa Clara County

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:15-2:45 p.m. Workshop – Session I

A1 Lessons from Cockpit: Keeping Team Intervention Effective Charles Wilson, MSSW

This session will explore pathways to effective teaming from the experience of child abuse teams, team building in corporate settings, and from an unlikely place: the study of military and commercial aviation flight crews who often do not know each other before they arrive at an airport but must function as a flawless team in an emergency if they are to safely reach their destination each day.

A2 The Vulnerable Ones: The Realities Of Abuse Among Children With the Special Needs

Kathy McNamara, MA, LMFT

Child Abuse in Children with disability is often easily neglected and professionals find it difficult to see the signs of abuse in these children. This session will discuss definitions of abuse, detailed overview of children with disability, indicators of abuse, and possible interventions.

A3 Trauma-Aware Foster Care

John Stirling, MD, Medical Director, Center for Child Protection, Santa Clara Valley Medical Center

The incidence of PTSD in foster children is much greater than that of returning combat veterans, and the cost to society of this damage is staggering. After this session, attendees will be able to relate the special medical and mental health needs of the foster care population, describe several ways in which early trauma has been seen to affect the brain's anatomy, and demonstrate some ways to help a caregiver avoid making this damage worse.

2:45-3:00 p.m. Networking Break & Afternoon Snacks

3:00-4:30 p.m. Workshop – Session 2

B1 Out-ing Child Abuse: Discussing the harm faced by LGBTQ youth.

Belinda Dronkers-Laureta, Executive Director, Asian & Pacific Islander Family Pride **Julie Freitas**, **MA**, **LMFT**, Clinical Supervisor and Program Manager, Family and Children Services

Wiggsy Sivertsen, MSW, LCSW, Counselor, Counseling Services, San Jose State University / Professor, Sociology Department, San Jose State University

Nathan Thomas, LCSW, Social Worker, Legal Advocates for Children & Youth / Adjunct Professor, School of Social Work, San Jose State University

Kim Tran, Youth Outreach Coordinator, LGBT Youth Space

In this session, a diverse panel of professionals will discuss the impact and effects of child abuse for LGBTQ children, and the necessary support strategies to prevent further abuse for LGBTQ children.

B2 The Santa Clara County Receiving Center-How Are We Doing? What Have We Learned? Where Are We Headed?

Lori Medina, MSW, Director, Department of Family and Children's Services, Social Services Agency, County of Santa Clara

Doug Southard, MSW, Director, Intake and Receiving Center Services, Department of Family and Children's Services, Social Services Agency, County of Santa Clara **Sonya Trac,** Vice President, Youth Advisory Board

John Stirling, MD, Medical Director, Center for Child Protection, Santa Clara Valley Medical Center

Santa Clara County Children's Shelter has been closed as of December 31, 2009 and is being used as a Receiving Center. In this session, diverse panel of professionals will discuss the background, current status, concerns in transition from Children's Shelter into Receiving Center, and the future.

B3 Emerging Sexual Trends Among Our Youth is Leading to Higher Risk of Abuse Tonja Krautter, Psy.D., LCSW

Ray Mendoza, Deputy District Attorney, District Attorney's Office

With fast changes in our society and culture, our youth is put to higher risk of being exposed to sexual trends that can harm their lives in many ways. This session will discuss the recent sexual trends in our youth including sexting, sex messaging, pornography addiction and explore the intervention and prevention to protect our youth.

4:30 p.m. Certificate Awards

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